GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services –Department of Tribal Welfare- Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram – Verification of R & R Packages-Polavaram Irrigation Project-+41.15M contour-Submergence of villages of V.R.Puram, Kunavaram and Devipatnam Mandals – Inspection reports of DIOs-Unfit for cultivation-R&R Colonies civil works-Vigilance Report– Initiation of Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S.(CCA) Rules 1991 – Article of Charges – Issued.

DEPARTMENT OF TRIBAL WELFARE (SER)

G.O.RT.No. 129 Dated: 21-08-2025
Read:

VigilanceReport.No.05(C.No.649/V&E/Engg/2019-1 dated 08.02.2024 of General Administration (V&E) Dept.

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O R D E R :

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CCA) Rule, 1991.

2.The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which is the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges.

3. Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of her defense.

4. Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram is informed that an inquiry will be held in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charges.

5. Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram is further informed that if he does not submit his written

statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram is invited to Rule 24 of the APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on him behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at him instance and that action will be taken against his for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this proceeding may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

MUDAVATU M NAYAK
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram through O/o of the Engineer Chief, Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Engineer Chief, Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada.
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ANNEXURE - I

Statement of article of charges framed against Sri I.Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram:

Charge:

The work "Construction of R& R Colonies with civil amenities at Nereduvalasa(V) in Devipatnam(M) of East Godavari District with an Est.cost of Rs.501.09 lakhs" and technically sanctioned vide Ts.Memo.No.390/2017-18 dated.07.12.207 of Engineer-in-Chief, Tribal Welfare, Vijayawada.The work was proposed for construction of R & R colony with civil amenities of buildings, roads, drains etc., for 26+1 Project displaced families(PDFs) of Lingavaram village of Devipatnam(M).

Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram has recommended for issuance of quality control certificate despite inferior quality of concrete work.

Hence the charge, the disciplinary action under APCS(CC&A) Rules, 1991 for violating Rules 3(1) and 3(2)&3(5) of AP civil services conduct rules, 1964 for lack of devotion to duty, lack of integrity and for behaving in a manner unbecoming of a government employee and for not taking all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

MUDAVATU M NAYAK
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE –II

Statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of the article of charges framed against Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram:

Basis of the charge:

As per the Vigilance Report No.5(C.No.649/V&E)Engg/2019-1) dated 08.02.2024 of the Vigilance and Enforcement Department, certainirregularities committed in execution of " Construction of R& R Colonies with civil amenities at Nereduvalasa(V) in Devipatnam(M) of East Godavari District with an Est.cost.Rs.501.09lakhs".

As per Tribal Welfare department manual, the Executive Engineer of the Quality Control & Vigilance has to alert the executive staff towards maintenance of quality in the works being executed and to guide field engineers. The Deputy Executive Engineer and the Assistant Executive Engineer in the Quality Control wing of Vigilance division have to assist the Executive Engineer in all his functions.

Hence, the contention of the aforesaid officers that the responsibility does not lie with the lateral verification officers is not convincing. The CC core samples extracted from the CC drain and road failed to attain the strength requirements of the specified grade of concrete as per IS 456:2000. But, the Q.C. officials issued QC certificate for inferior quality of cement concrete work without recommending any recovery. Hence, the versions of the aforesaid officers are not acceptable.

As verified from the test results, which was conducted by the quality testing agency engaged by the Vigilance & Enforcement Department, the average equivalent cube comprehensive strength of the CC core extracted from L/s drain was found to have not attained the strength requirements of the specified grade of M15 concrete and also not satisfying the strength requirements of next lower grade of M10 concrete. Hence the entire L/s CC drain were found to be liable for rejection. The value of rejection amount is Rs.3,62,435/-. The rejected component of the work should be reconstructed at the cost and risk of the agency or an amount of Rs.3,62,435/- is proposed to be recovered from the agency towards the cost of rejected item of work.

Also an amount of Rs.1,45,392/- is proposed to be recovered from the agency towards difference in strength of concrete of CC Pavement.

Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram has recommended for issuance of quality control certificate despite inferior quality of concrete work.

MUDAVATU M NAYAK
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ANNEXURE - III

List of documents by which the Article of charges framed Sri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram:

1. Vigilance Report.No.05(C.No.649/V&E/Engg/2019-1 dated 08.02.2024 of General Administration(V&E) Dept.
2.Govt.Memo.No.2553026/SER.A2/2024 dated 21.05.2025

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ANNEXURE-IV

List of witnesses by whom the Article of Charges framed againstSri I Srinivasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, Tribal Welfare, QC & Vigilance, Vijayawada and presently working as Executive Engineer, TW, Rampachodavaram.

List of Witnesses:

The concerned Vigilance & Enforcement Department officials have enquired into the allegations in Verification of works executed by Tribal Welfare Engineering Department.

MUDAVATU M NAYAK
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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